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FOR WILGIS FROM SCHMIDT

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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. HORVATH - CASE IS BEING PROCESSED ON EXPEDITIOUS
OASIS; VO BELIEVES THERE WILL BE NO PROBLEM IN RE-
CEIVING INS CONCURRENCE WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS. FBI OBJEC-
TION CASES ARE RECEIVING INCREASINGLY DETAILED ATTENTION
WITHIN STATE AND OTHER WASHINGTON AGENCIES DUE TO DIFFERING
INTERPRETATIONS OF 212 (A) (27) AND (29), RESULTING IN
LONGER PROCESSING TIME. WE WILL SEND FORMAL RESPONSE BY
IMMEDIATE.

2. MESSAGE CENTER DELAYS - THE EUR MESSAGE CENTER IS
TEMPORARILY UNDERSTAFFED, AND WE ARE USUALLY RECEIVING
ROUTINE AND PRIORITY TRAFFIC ONLY 24 HOURS AFTER YOU SEND
IT. IMMEDIATES DO ARRIVE AT OUR DESK PROMPTLY. FOR THE
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TIME BEING PLEASE SEND ANY OPERATIONAL MESSAGES REQUIRING
QUICK EUR ACTION BY IMMEDIATE.

3. HARRIMAN PRESS CONFERENCE - THE JULY 24 FBIS DAILY
REPORT CONTAINS AN MTI SUMMARY OF THE HARRIMAN PRESS
CONFERENCE INCLUDING "HE DESCRIBED THE "SALT" NEGOTIA-
TIONS AS A KEY ISSUE AND APPRECIATED AS CONSTRUCTIVE

THE PROPOSALS THAT THE SOVIET UNION HAD PROCLAIMED SOME

TIME AGO ABOUT THE CUT OF ARMED FORCES. THE SOVIET UNION AND THE UNITED STATES ARE COOPERATING TO PREVENT THE PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND TO ELIMINATE THE CHANCES OF A NUCLEAR WAR. COMMITMENT BY THE CAUSE OF PEACE, HE SAID, WAS THE BASIC FEATURE OF AMERICA'S LONG-TERM POLICY. THE WEST HAS NO INTENTION TO ATTACK THE EAST, NEITHER IS THERE SUCH A WILL ON THE OTHER SIDE, AS PROVEN BY THE FACT THAT THE SOVIET ARMED FORCES ARE EXPLICITLY DESIGNED FOR THE AIM TO DEFEND THE PEACE." WE HAVE HAD ONE PRESS AND ONE PUBLIC REQUEST FOR ACTUAL TEXT OF HARRIMAN'S REMARKS, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHICH SERVED AS SOURCE OF QUOTED MTI COMMENTARY. PLEASE SEND TEXT, IF AVAILABLE, AND AS APPROPRIATE COMMENT ON MTI'S INTERPRETATION OF HARRIMAN'S REMARKS.

4. BUSINESS VISA - THE COMMITTEE ON EXCHANGES (COMEX), WHICH PROVIDES ADVISORY OPINIONS ON TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER ASPECTS OF SPLEX AND BUSVIS CASES, HAS EXPRESSED CONCERN THAT EE POSTS ARE NOT PROVIDING IN BUSVIS CABLE ALL ITINERARY DETAILS AVAILABLE FROM APPLICATIONS. AS YOU MAY BE AWARE, CERTAIN COMEX AGENCIES WOULD LIKE TO MAKE ISSUANCE OF BUSVIS-EE VISAS CONDITIONAL ON WASHINGTON AUTHORIZATION. THE COMEX SECRETARIAT BELIEVES THAT CONFIDENTIAL

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PRESSURE FOR CHANGE CAN BE REDUCED IF POSTS PROVIDE FULLEST POSSIBLE ITINERARY DETAILS. WE DO NOT EXPECT YOU TO SEEK INFORMATION FROM APPLICANTS ADDITIONAL TO THAT CONTAINED IN VISA APPLICATION AND MFT NOTE, BUT IF AN APPLICANT SAYS HE IS VISITING TEN US FIRMS PLEASE LIST ALL IN YOUR VISA MESSAGE.

5. IBM HUNGARY - BEWT HAS DISCUSSED CONCERNS EXPRESSED BY MRS BRANYIK WITH IBM-USA, WHICH REQUESTS THE USG TAKE NO OFFICIAL ACTION WITH GOH ON THIS MATTER. NONETHELESS, CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THE IBM PROBLEM CLOSELY. ANY BACKGROUND INFORMATION YOU CAN FURNISH ON MRS. BRANYIK WOULD BE APPRECIATED. CHRISTOPHER

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